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AMINO-ACID SEQUENCE )  
CONTROLLING THE )  
EXPRESSION OF A )  
XYLANASE PROMOTER- )  
OPERATOR NUCLEOTIDE )  
SEQUENCE )  
Examiner : Unknown )

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Respectfully submitted,

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